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BILL SWING FOR IOM DIRECTOR GENERAL

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1. Per reftel request, Poloff met with Alexander Nalbandov, Director of the International Relations Department at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Poloff thanked Nalbandov for Georgia's support for the U.S. candidate for IOM Director General, Ambassador Bill Swing, and encouraged the Georgian government to make their endorsement public. Nalbandov said he was not aware if voting instructions have been sent to date, but reiterated that Georgia would support Ambassador Swing.
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